

REMARKS

This application is a continuation of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP99/07248, filed December 22, 1999, designating the United States of America.

By this Preliminary Amendment, applicant have herein above amended the specification to page 1 to insert the continuation data. Upon entry of this Amendment claims 1 and 2 are pending in this application. Applicants maintain that the amendments made herein above do not raise any issue of new matter. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request entry of the Amendment.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

No fee other than the filing fee and Recordation of Assignment of \$730.00 is deemed necessary in connection with this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any other fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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Respectfully submitted,

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